

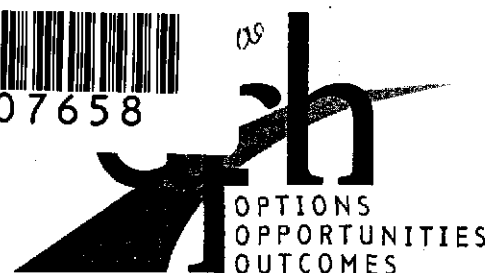
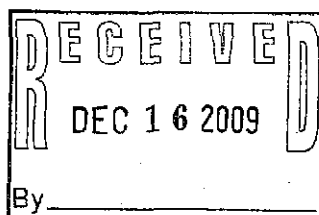
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Dear Mr. Stump,

AFH (Arizona Foundation for the Handicap) fully supports the Community Information & Referrals request to the Arizona Corporation Commission requesting that the Commission establish CIR as the lead Statewide 2-1-1 provider entity offering public access to health and human service through its long established information and referral service infrastructure.

In every community needs assessment survey conducted in Pinal County, the need for a single number to call to access information about available community resources is identified as one of the most important community needs.

Having the availability of the easy to remember three-digit 2-1-1 telephone number to access information about and referrals to health and human services will be the single most important advancement the Commission can make to help people in need of social services. Utilizing Community Information & Referral, Inc., an existing, experienced, and respected 45 year-old non-profit community-based organization makes the best use of scarce resources.

We at AFH wholeheartedly support that CIR be designated the Lead 2-1-1 Entity in Arizona by the ACC as quickly as possible.

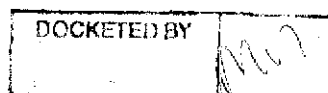
Sincerely yours,

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